

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3 and 4 to read as follows:

1. (Original) A tire wheel having a disk and a rim for mounting a pneumatic tire joined to a peripheral edge of the disk, the rim having a rim body joined to the disk and rim flanges joined to both width direction sides of the rim body, the disk being offset to one side with respect to a width direction center of the rim,

wherein the rim body has a rim body portion extending from a join position between the disk and the rim body to a boundary position between the rim body and the rim flange on the other side, the rim body portion consisting of three equal sections into which the rim body portion is equally divided along a center axis of rotation of the wheel, the equal section positioned nearer to the rim flange on the other side being thinner in average rim thickness.

2. (Original) A tire wheel according to claim 1, wherein the three equally divided equal sections have average rim thicknesses, a difference between the average rim thicknesses of at least one pair of adjacent equal sections being 0.5 mm or more.

3. (Currently Amended) A tire wheel according to claim 1-~~or~~ 2, wherein the three equally divided equal sections consist of a disk side equal section joined to the disk, a flange side equal section joined to the rim flange on the other side, and a middle equal section located between the flange side equal section and the disk side equal section, the average rim thickness of the disk side equal section being 3 mm to 8 mm, the average rim thickness of the flange side equal section being 2 mm to 3 mm.

4. (Currently Amended) A tire wheel according to claim 1, ~~2 or 3~~, wherein the rim body portion is thinner in rim thickness toward the rim flange on the other side.

5. (Original) A tire wheel according to claim 4, wherein the rim body portion is thinner in rim thickness as getting closer to the rim flange on the other side.